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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to a non-final office action dated July 6, 2005 ("Sixth Office Action"), in which the Examiner rejected pending claims 1-40 as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. On October 28<sup>th</sup>, the attorney for the Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview in which an amendment to the claims was discussed to overcome the prior art rejections. The Examiner indicated that the discussed amendments may distinguish over the cited art and that he would reconsider the rejection in view of these amendments. Applicants amended the claims as discussed and submit that all pending claims are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13.